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AFTER their outings in the F.A. Trophy and County Cup in the last fortnight, Wycombe Wanderers return to their Rothmans Ishmian League programme with a visit to Walthamstow Avenue tomorrow (Saturday).

The Blues have already notched a 4-0 win and £40 bonus over Avenue this season at Loakes Park in October. Mick Holifield, who along with Howard Kettleborough, Ian Pearson and Tony Horseman, was among the goalscorers, is unlikely to be fit as he is still suffering from torn ligaments in his knee. Mick had a particularly fine game against Walthamstow at Loakes Park.

Tomorrow's encounter is unlikely to be quite as easy, however. Avenue have shot up the table in recent weeks and have lost only twice and drawn once in their last 18 games. They have scored 33 goals and conceded 11 in that time.

The arrival of Len Raynor from Leytonstone and Dean

Mooney from Leyton Orient has been responsible for much of their recent success. Mooney, who played 38 first team games for Orient, has scored 16 goals in 18 games and helped himself to a hat-trick at Hayes on Saturday.

Two other men among the goals are Dickie Sedgewick with 15 to his credit while John Dear, the former Dagenham and Bishop's Stortford striker, hit a hat-trick in the win over Leytonstone.

Avenue are hoping their pitch will withstand the week's rain and have been working on the surface this week.

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